submitted its report recently;

(c) if so, what are the salient features thereof;

(d) what action has been initiated by Government on the recommendations of the Committee; and

(e) what are the other details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) The Committee was constituted to prepare the preliminary draft of the National Population Policy.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) While dealing with the entire gamut of population issues the Committee has made among others the following major recommendations:—

(i) Integration of gender equity in Plans for Health and Family Welfare.

(ii) Creation of an enabling environment and empowerment mechanism to accelerate the march towards goal of population stabilization by achieving a TFR of 2.1 by 2010.

(iii) Speedy and effective implementation of the minimum needs programme.

(iv) Provision of maternal and child health and family planning services based on informed choice.

(v) involvement of Panchayati Raj and Municipal institutions for achieving population stabilisation.

(vi) Creation of population and Social Development Fund for filling the critical gaps in implementation.

(vii) Constitution of Population and Social Development Commission for implementing population stabilisation programmes through inter-sectoral convergence.

(d) and (e) The report of the Committee was received on 24th May, 1994. Constitutions with the State/UT Government and other Ministries/Departments have been initiated.

Memorandum of Understanding Signed by Government with Oman Oil Company

*738. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY:
SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Memorandum of Understanding signed by Petroleum Ministry with Oman Oil Company would result in price equation of per million BTU at Rs. 4000;

(b) whether it is a fact that price of imported gas at the down stream customer level per million BTU would be 230 PC higher as compared to the ONGC's price;

(c) what is the prices charged by ONGC per million BTU at the down stream level;

(d) whether Oman gas would be uniformly priced in India;

(e) what is the likely return to the Oman Oil Company per annum on percentage basis on the capital employed in the project; and

(f) what is the project cost of the pipe line up to the land fall point and estimated consumption per day and potential of consumption and absorption capacity of the down stream project on its availability?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA): (a) to (f) The delivered price of the gas proposed to be imported from Oman is under discussion with the Oman Oil Company. The Oman Oil Company has indicated that the investment in two pipelines to carry 56.6 MPSCND of gas will be around US $ 5 billion. Sufficient demand to absorb this quantity of gas has been identified from

the existing and new units. The price of gas to the consumers at different locations in India will be known only after the delivered price is finalised. The return to Oman Oil Company will depend on the delivered price of gas and other factors such as financing cost etc.

Terrorism and subversion in Doda District (J&K)

*739. SHRI JAGMOHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether conditions regarding terrorism and subversion in Doda (J&K) have deteriorated during the last five months (January 1 to May 31, 1994);

(b) the number of terrorism related incidents which have occurred during the aforesaid period; and

(c) the number of casualties (dead/injured/kidnapped) of security personnel and civilians that have been caused?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S.B. CHAVAN): (a) to (c) Terrorist and Subversive activities in the District Doda have shown some increase during the last five months, which has brought the law and order and security situation under strain and generated tensions in the area. As per information available, there were 279 incidents of terrorist violence in the District during January-May 1994. In these incidents, 47 persons, including 9 security forces personnel are reported to have been killed, while 43, including 22 security forces personnel were injured; and 27 persons, including one police personnel, were abducted during the said period.

उल्फा को बढ़ावा देने के लिए निधियों का उपयोग

*740. **श्री राम जेठमलानी:**
प्रो० विजय कुमार मल्होत्रा:

क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान 28 अप्रैल, 1994 के दैनिक "टाइम्स आफ इंडिया" में "फंड्स यूज्ड टू स्पोंसर उल्फा-सी०बी०आई०" शीर्षक से प्रकाशित समाचार की ओर दिलाया गया है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या यह आरोप लगाया गया है कि भारी मात्रा में भारत सरकार का धन असम में यूनाइटेड लिबरेशन फ्रंट के कार्यकर्ताओं की गतिविधियों को बढ़ावा देने के उद्देश्य से खर्च किया गया है;

(ग) यदि हां, तो आरोप के अनुसार इस प्रयोजनार्थ अनुमानतः कुल कितनी धनराशि खर्च की गई है;

(घ) क्या केन्द्रीय जांच ब्यूरो से कहा गया है कि वह उक्त आरोप की पूरी जांच करे; और

(ङ) यदि हां, तो जांच प्रतिवेदन कब तक प्रस्तुत कर दिए जाने की संभावना है?

गृह मंत्री (श्री एस० बी० चव्हाण): (क) से (ङ) सरकार को इस समाचार की जानकारी है कि असम में राज्य के विभिन्न खजानों से कई करोड़ की राशि अवैध रूप से बाहर निकली और इसमें से कुछ उल्फा उग्रवादियों को दी गई। असम सरकार द्वारा एक-सदस्यीय एक जांच समिति गठित की गयी थी। इस समिति के निष्कर्षों के आधार पर असम सरकार द्वारा चूककर्ता अधिकारियों के खिलाफ कार्रवाई शुरू की गयी। इसमें 22 अधिकारियों को अनिवार्य रूप से सेवा-निवृत्त करना सम्मिलित है। जांच-कार्य केन्द्रीय जांच ब्यूरो को सौंपा गया है, जिसने इस संबंध में मामले दर्ज कर दिए हैं।

Plight of Zoo Animals

7644. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a newsitem published in the Indian Express dated 22nd April, 1994 under the heading "Zoo animals may get a one way ticket to hell";

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto; and